

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Congresswoman Loretta Sanchez (CA-47) today announced that she will serve as the Ranking Member of the House Armed Services Subcommittee on Strategic Forces. In her new role, Rep. Sanchez will oversee our nation's strategic weapons, ballistic missile defense, space programs, and Department of Energy national security programs. The Congresswoman will also continue to be a senior member of the Subcommittees on Emerging Threats and Capabilities and Oversight and Investigations.

"I am honored that my Democratic colleagues on the Armed Services Committee have selected me to serve as Ranking Member of the Subcommittee on Strategic Forces," said Rep. Sanchez. "There is perhaps no greater responsibility than ensuring our nation is properly prepared for a potential missile or nuclear attack. I look forward to working with Chairman McKeon, Ranking Member Smith, and Subcommittee Chair Turner as we look for new, more effective ways to assess and protect against threats to America's security."

"I am pleased that Rep. Sanchez will be the lead Democratic Member on the Strategic Forces Subcommittee," said House Armed Services Committee Ranking Member Adam Smith (D-WA). "She did a tremendous job as Chair of the Terrorism and Unconventional Subcommittee. Moving forward, I am confident that she will be equally effective as the Ranking Member on the Strategic Forces Subcommittee and work tirelessly to ensure our country is well-prepared to address a new generation of security challenges."